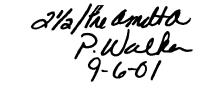
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## **PATENT APPLICATION**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For:	ZOOM LENS AND OPTICAL	)	April 18, 2001
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 17, 24, and 34 as follows. For the Examiner's convenience, all of the claims are shown below. In addition, a marked-up copy of Claims 17, 24, and 34 is also attached.

- 1. (Unamended) A zoom lens, comprising in sequence from an object side:
- a first lens unit having a positive optical power;
- a second lens unit having a negative optical power;